Mr. SPEAKER.—No. It won't do. If he wants it, I will call upon the Minister to place on the Table of the House-subsequently the information *i.e.*, the loan position of the Municipality.

Sri B. R. SUNTHANKAR. May I know on that basis the Hon'ble Minister has been pleased to say that the financial position is satisfactory ?

Sri T. SUBRAMANYA.—Because, every time we grant the loan, the financial position is examined and the capacity to repay the loan is found out.

Sri G. N. PUTTANNA.—Is the Government aware that after the appointment of the Administrator, a lot of arrears have been cleared, according to my information?

Sri T. SUBRAMANYA.—It is pefectly correct.

CONSTRUCTION OF A BRIDGE ACROSS THE FEEDER CHANNEL TO KERAHALLI TANK IN CHAMARAJANAGAR TALUK.

*Q.—879. Sri U. M. MADAPPA (Chamarajanagar).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the date on which an estimate was prepared by P. W. D. to construct a High Level Causeway or Bridge across the feeder channel to Kerahalli tank between Bendaravadi & Mallayyanapura, Chamarajanagar Taluk;

(*b*) since how long this estimate is pending in the Department for technical scrutiny;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that the said estimate has not been sanctioned because of want of fund under the appropriate head of the P. W. D.Department:

(*d*) if so, the action taken by Government in the matter?

*A.—Sri B. D. JATTI (Chief Minister) [on behalf of Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH (Minister for Public Works and Electricity)].—

(*a*) & (*b*) August 1959.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) The work will be taken up according to priority and availability of funds.

Sri U. M. MADAPPA.—Sir, neither the Hon'ble Minister nor the Deputy Minister is present to put the questions.

Sri B. D. JATTI.—I will answer it.

Sri U. M. MADAPPA. May I know the cost of the estimate?

†Sri B. D. JATTI.—Sir, the rough estimate is Rs. 11,000.

Sri U. M. MADAPPA.—Is it pending since 1959 for technical scrutiny and for want of funds?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Now the difficulty is regarding funds. If funds are available, this question will be taken up.

Sri U. M. MADAPPA.—Will the Government please sanction the amouut for this work, because it is a very important work and it should be taken up immediately?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—But it is very difficult to commit ourselves just now. For rural communications, Government requires more money. If it is possible to get more money, this work may be included and done.

Sri U. M. MADAPPA.—May I know whether the Government is aware that this work is a dire necessity in this place and therefore top priority should be given?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Because of that only, plan and estimate have been prepared. Government is aware of it.

Sri U. M. MADAPPA.—Will Government sympathetically consider and see that the topmost priority is given to this work?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—It is not possible for the Government to give topmost priority to this work. There are other matters which are more important.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—Sir, I want to know the policy of the Government. When I put a question the Hon'ble Chief Minister said that he did not know anything about Hubli matter. It is a joint responsibility of the Ministers. You yourselves have observed Sir, that the Ministers should not be absent when the House is in session. Without knowing, how can the Chief Minister courageously answer this question?

Mr. SPEAKER.—I have not been able to understand the presumption of the Hon'ble Member. Why do he presume that the Chief Minister does not know?

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—How can the Chief Minister say that he did not know to another question? How can he say that he did not know anything about Hubli? Should he say that he does not know?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—The Hon'ble Member put a question to which I said that the Hon'ble Member does not know anything about the details of Hubli. That was my reply. It was not that I did not know. I know that the Hon'ble Member is superior to me at times.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I think that with this certificate, Sri Muckannappa will calm down.

(Interruption)

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—Nobody expected Mr. Jatti will be the Chief Minister. One fine morning he becomes the Chief Minister. I may be superior to him. Why should he say that I am not superior to him? Why should he say so?

Mr. SPEAKER.—He said that the member is superior.

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—Sir, what is the priority in the list so far as this work is concerned? You say that this work will be taken up according to priority. What priority does it claim in your list?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—The difficulty is, rural communications are found to be far in excess of the planned provision in the Third Five Year Plan. It is very difficult to find money, and as the Hon'ble Member put it is an urgent matter and it is useful there. But if we find money, we will take it up.

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—That may be in regard to rural communication. It is a causeway across a bridge. It is both an irrigational project and rural communication. Tne project will help irrigation. I should like to be enlightened as to what priority is fixed for this work in the list of works sanctioned.

Sri B. D. JATTI.—No priority has been fixed for this works. It has to be taken up under the C.D. works. Because we have not got sufficient money. It is not possible to take it up immediately.

Sri U. M. MADAPPA.—Are Government aware that it does not com under rural communications? It comes under irrigation.

Sri B. D. JATTI.—That can be interpreted like that irrigation as well as rural communication.

Sri U. M. MADAPPA.—What is the priority given under irrigation and what is the priority given under rural communication?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—I replied that priority has not been fixed for this work at all. If the Government finds more money, we will take it up.

CONSTRUCTION OF TANK AT GANDASI.

*Q.—951. Smt. DYAVAMMA (Gandasi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) when the estimate was prepared for the construction of tank at Gandasi and the estimated amount;

(*b*) when tender was called for in this behalf ;